

Virginia & U. S. History Final Exam Review

1. Explain Thomas Paine's arguments in *Common Sense*.
2. Why was Shay's Rebellion impactful?
3. Explain the purpose of the Monroe Doctrine.
4. What principles did the *Declaration of Independence* state?
5. Explain the relationship between the federal and state levels of government stated in the *U. S. Constitution*.
6. Explain the system of checks and balances.
7. Compare and contrast the beliefs of the Federalists and Anti-Federalists.
8. Compare and contrast the beliefs of the Democratic-Republicans and the Federalists.
9. Explain the importance of transportation during westward expansion.
10. Describe the Trail of Tears event.
11. Explain the causes of the "Second American Revolution," the War of 1812.
12. Characteristics of the "Age of the Common Man."
13. Describe the issues leading up to the American Civil War.
14. Describe the Emancipation Proclamation.
15. Importance of the 14th Amendment.
16. Geographical analysis: Free/Slave state compromises
17. What factors contributed to growth and expansion of the United States in the late 19th and early 20th centuries?
18. Explain the purpose of immigration laws and give examples.
19. How were problems created by industrialization handled?
20. Describe how people became more involved in the political process during the Progressive Era.
21. Describe Progressive Era reform goals.
22. What common purpose do the Monroe Doctrine and Roosevelt Corollary have?
23. When did the American escalation in Vietnam begin?
24. Explain the horrible effects of the Great Depression.
25. Explain John Hay's Open Door Policy directed at China.
26. Explain the changes that took place during World War II on the home front.
27. Explain President Roosevelt's "Garden Hose" speech.
28. Why was the decision made to drop the atomic bomb on Japan?
29. During WWII, what was the Allies main goal?
30. During the Gilded Age, identify Robber Barons.
31. Why did the United States not join the League of Nations and not sign the Treaty of Versailles?
32. Explain the importance of Henry Ford.
33. Explain the importance of *Brown vs. the Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas*.
34. Why was Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle* so important?
35. Explain Martin Luther King Jr.'s style of protests.
36. Explain the role of women during World War II.
37. Importance of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act.
38. Describe the Battle of Britain or the "Blitz".
39. Describe the relationship between public schools and immigrant children.
40. Explain the importance of Pearl Harbor through the eyes of the Japanese.
41. Explain Hitler's Final Solution.
42. Describe the Bay of Pigs.
43. Explain the U.S. Supreme Court case *Plessy vs. Ferguson*.
44. Explain the importance Wilson's Fourteen Points.
45. Why did the United States not participate early on during World War II?
46. Describe the goals/principles of Ronald Reagan and Republicans in the 1980s.

47. Explain the response by Virginians due to the *Brown vs. the Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas* decision.
48. Complete the chart below:

Region	Group(s)/Origin	Reasons for Settlement	Products/Commerce (economies)	Present-Day States